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**NEW UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket Number	21540-05799
First Named Inventor	Dietrich W. Schultz
Title	AUTOMATIC LINKING OF DOCUMENTS
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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (in duplicate)

2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27

3.  Specification Total Pages   
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
■ Descriptive Title of the Invention  
■ Cross Reference(s) to Related Case(s)  
■ Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
■ Background of the Invention  
■ Brief Summary of the Invention  
■ Brief Description of the Drawing(s)  
■ Detailed Description  
■ Claim or Claims  
■ Abstract of the Disclosure

4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. Total Sheets  113)

5. Oath or Declaration  
a.  New Declaration Total Pages   
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b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

7.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))  
8.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority  
is claimed)  
9.  Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent  
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  
11.  Preliminary Amendment  
12.  Information Disclosure Statement & PTO-1449  
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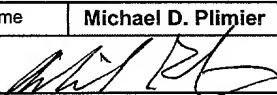
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not been and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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